That the Secretary-Treasurer be instructed to prepare and print in the next number of the *Magazine* a short report of the work cone by him, meetings held, etc., since the last meeting of the Board in October, 1894.

RETURNS BY PARISHES.

It was moved by the Bishop of Quebec, seconded by Rev. Canon Cayley, and resolved :

That for the future the moneys received by or reported to the Board from the parishes be printed in such form as to show for each parish the amounts contributed in response to the Epiphany and Ascensiontide appeals, special donations for domestic and foreign missionary work, children's offerings, and also moneys raised by the Woman's Auxiliary, with a total for every parish or mission and an aggregate total for the diocese. Also that an alphabetical list of the names of the donors be appended at the end of the annual report.

THE ASCENSIONTIDE APPEAL.

The Ascensiontide Appeal, on motion of the Bishop of Quebec, seconded by Rev. E. P. Crawford, was referred to a special committee consisting of Rev. G. Forneret, Mr. Baldwin, and the Secretary-Treasurer for consideration and issue in new or revised form, and that the appeal in its new form be not issued until it has been approved by the Bishop of Niagara.

THE JAPAN MISSIONARIES.

It was moved by Rev. E. P. Crawford, seconded by Rev. Dr. Mockridge:

That the Board has received and read with great pleasure the reports from its missionaries in Japan, and direct that they be printed in the *Magazine* for the information of the members of the Church.

Books and Periodicals Department.

The Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers. Second series. Vol. viii. St. Basil. Select Works and Letters. New York: The Christian Literature Co. At the memorable death of Asim (1). death of Arius (A.D. 336) Basil was a child of about six years of age. He was sent to school at Cæsarea, and after-wards studied at Constantinople and Athens. He was baptized late in life, and shortly after his baptism was appointed a reader. He soon became much enamored with the idea of a monastic life, and visited monasteries in Egypt, Syria, Palestine, and Mesopotamia, and finally entered one him-self. He was ordained a deacon about the time that Julian the Apostate became emperor of Rome. Ten years afterwards he was elected Bishop of Cæsarea. As Archbishop of Cæsarea he is best known in history. His letters are interesting as bearing upon the important events of the period in which he lived, and his great work on "The Holy Spirit" shows the deep theological thought of one accus-tomed to write about sacred things. The translation and notes of this excellent volume are by the Rev. Bloomfield Jackson, M.A., Fellow of King's College, London. The possession, in good English, of a standard work like this, showing the mind of the church and some of her trials in the early days of her existence, is much to be prized. The copious use of Scripture throughout these writings is shown by the index of texts quoted, and the index of subjects shows to and described. The typography of this volume, like all its predecessors, is of a high order, and reflects credit upon the publishers.

Wealth and Waste: The Principles of Political Economy in their application to the Present Problems of Labor, Law, and the Liquor Traffic. By Alphonso A Hopkins, Ph.D. Cloth, 12mo. 286 pp. \$1.00. New York, London Toronto: Funk & Wagualls Company. This designed for popular reading, and also as a text-book and the higher institutions of learning, to fill a place no moth has heretofore sought to occupy. It is a book both for stars, and students, and plain laboring-men, with clear, or use definitions and practical illustrations for all these classes. It is a study for every reformer, for its treatment of the fundamental principles underlying political science.

(1) The Sunday at Home; (2) The Leisure Hour; (3) The Boys' Own Paper; (4) The Girls' Own Paper; (5) Friendly Greetings; (6) The Cottager and the Artisan; (7) Light in the Home; The Child's Companion; (9) Our Little Dots. The Religious Tract Society, 56 Patenoster Row, London. The Sunday at Home for May has a good healthy tale "Told by a Housekeeper: The General's Story," the moral effect of which is to show that heroism and religion can be made to go hand in hand. The stern trials of missionary life are shown in "Henry Nott, the Apostle of Tahiti." As one ds this he casily comes to the conclusion that it is not e_ry one that is able to be a missionary. Henry Nott accomplished it, but many of his companions failed. Yet Tahiti is an example of the success of the Gospel. Stepney, in East London, is well described. The Leisure Hour for May has many good pictures, especially those of the different kinds of story-tellers. It has also several good articles, such as the "Olympic Games" and "Rambles in Japan." The other publications for May of the Religious Tract Society are up to the usual mark of excellence, and several additional penny tales are given.

(1) The Expositor (one shilling), (2) The Clergyman's Magazine (sixpence). London: Hodder & Stoughton, Paternoster Row. Many learned thoughts are given in the May number of the Expositor on the Old Testament, in two articles, one on "Modern Religion and Old Festament Immortality," by Professor Davidson, and the other on "The Old Testament Question in the Early Church," by Professor Orr. "The Words Denoting Missionary Travel in the Acts," by Prof. Ramsay, are indicative of the thoroughness of apostolic work. The Clergyman's Magazine for May has Waterland, "The Expounder of the Lord's Supper," as the subject of "Leaders of Thought in the English Church." Several suggestive notes for sermonizing also appear, and "St. Paul on Sins of the Tongue" is continued. A learned treatise is given on Habakkuk in this magazine, and one also in the Expositor.

The Missionary Review of th World. Funk & Wagnalls Co., 30 Lafayette Place, New York. Price \$2.50 a year. In addition to longer articles on "Some Hindrances and Helps in Evangelizing Laos Land," "The Negro as a Missionary," "On Idolatry (the second commandment)," "Raitroads in Turkey," "The Growth of the Christian Church in Japan," "Dr. Gordon's Relation to Missions," there are in The Missionary Review of the World for May shorter articles and pithy paragraphs from all parts of the world, indicating the work for God which still goes bravely on. Some of the illustrations are worthy of note, especially the King of Siam, with his three little boys. It is the picture of a happy young father with three fine little boys climbing about him.

The Review of Reviews. New York: 13 Astor Place. \$2.50 a year. The Review of Reviews for May. It is not necessary, in these days, to give long descriptions of persons, places, and things; the half-tone illustrations do it all now much more quickly and effectively. The Review of Reviews thus presents to its readers pictures which introduce them to great personages and important scenes, so that, indeed, they see them at a glance. The work done each month by this periodical is a large one. Take as an instance the "Index to Periodicals." This is an alphabetical arrangement of all the articles that have appeared in the last number of the leading periodicals of the day. Thus, if one wishes to read an article on any given subject, and can find it in this list, he will know at once where it is to be seen.

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